Smithsonian Institution
Washington February 4th 1852

TORREY CORRESPONDENCE
HERBARIUM
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY

My dear Prof.

If you have no serious objection, Professor Henry and myself propose to make your paper No. 1. of the next volume. The 3d is now nearly out, and as it will have 350 pp. botany (Gray & Harvey) there will be enough of this volume. What say you. It can be printed off without delay however as art. 1. of the new vol. What say you.

There is no objection to Prestele's printing off the plates provided he conforms to the rules. The paper used must be of our standard size, and should cost say 10.00 the single ream.

The Harvey memoir you know was printed in Dublin. The paper,

differs in style from other
~~usual~~ usual kind. rather
than in quality.

Prof. Henry is willing to
let Dr. Bolton have a copy of
Harvey on the conditions
specified

We send all our volumes
to the Lyceum, as published.
The third vol. will include
Harvey. I may see you in
New York next week.

Yours sincerely
S F Baird

TORREY CORRESPONDENCE
HERBARIUM
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

Dr. Jno. Torrey
New York

Smithsonian Institution
Washington April 3' 1852

My dear Dr.

Your letter of March 8' arrived during my absence, and my two visits to your office when in New York having proved in vain, I have had no chance or time for communicating about the Plantae Frémontianae, as since my return I have been excessively busy. I think you had better go right on with the article, although we can't get it into Vol. III. It can come in as the first no of Vol. V. (IV is now in press, to be occupied exclusively by the Dacota dictionary) We may publish this article with the 3d vol. by sending extras to some of the principal botanists and societies abroad, and thus secure all the priority possible. Let Craighead go ahead then with it, and before the first proof can be corrected, we will provide for the paper. What say you? I hope it may be run through rapidly so as to cause little delay. I want to see proof of first signature, as we have made some minor changes in the style of the new vols.

Yours truly
S F Baird

Dr. Jno. Torrey
New York

TORREY CORRESPONDENCE
HERBARIUM
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

Smithsonian Institution
Washington May 31st 1852

My dear Dr

Craighead has just written to know about commencing to print the Plantae Fremontianae. As this has been delayed already so long, if you have no objection, we would prefer letting it lie over until the fall, as we are now in the midst of getting ready for the issue of our 3d & 4th vols, and have no time to attend to this paper. I expect to leave here as soon as I can get through the work, (say by the end of June) and would not be on hand to attend to the details of furnishing plates, harmonizing type &c. Let me know if this will answer your purpose and oblige

Yours truly
S. F. Baird.

Dr. Jno. Torrey
New York

HERBARIUM COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY. TORREY CORRESPONDENCE

Smithsonian Institution
Washington June 11' 1852.

TORREY COLLECTION HERBARIUM COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY

Dear Doctor,

Prof. Henry agrees ~~to~~ leave the Plantae fremontianae. go ahead, under the circumstances. and I accordingly return the proof sheet of Sig. 1. as corrected and amended by Dr. Gray and others. The title is somewhat awkward to get in neatly. I have made some alterations which you will understand. Please send on the first signature soon as possible. so as to settle all points of style &c ~~before~~ I leave. It will be impossible for us to send off copies this summer as all the parcels for Europe will be made up in two week.

Have you any sets of the plates? Endicott charges 1250 copies, ~~were~~ all these sent on. Please also let me know how many extras you desire; as the edition will depend somewhat on all these matters

Ask Mr. Craighead what paper and how much he has on hand belonging to the Institution.

Do you propose to include in any the additional article for which Prestele engraved two plates? It would be well while you are about it to make the Pl. Fremontianae, a sort of running commentary on Plants of California.

Yours truly
S. F. Baird.

TORREY CORRESPONDENCE
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY

Dr. Jno. Torrey
New York

Smithsonian Institution
Washington Jan. 28' 1852

Dear Dr.

Ackerman says the Ms. of Plantae Fremontianae is blank. Is this so? If so can it be replaced, and how soon. If it cannot be reproduced in time for our vol. III. which we hope to issue in April, it will be necessary to put in some other paper in the series. Please then to send immediate word and oblige

Yours truly
S F Baird

Dr. Jn. Torrey
New York

TORREY CORRESPONDENCE
HERBARIUM
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY

Smithsonian,
Washington Nov. 12 1852

Dear Dr.

I enclose a letter to Charles Wright which please put into his hands or send him as soon as possible.

The enclosed letter is just received. There are two parcels here which as soon as an expected box from Europe (probably containing something else) comes in, will be sent to Bailliere.

When will the Plantae Fremontianae be put to press. There is plenty of paper ready in Boston. Do have it commenced right off.

Truly yours
S. F. Baird

Dr. Jn. Torrey
New York.

TORREY CORRESPONDENCE
HERBARIUM
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

Smithsonian Institution
Washington Nov. 22 1852

Dear Dr.

I have sent corrections of title to Crayhead to save time and return proof, too to you. I have after consultation with Prof. Henry made several changes none important, and merely to secure uniformity in the paper itself, and with our other works. I would like another proof.

Girard says the French do not accent capital letters. If so, the é in Fremont, as title and running heading must be changed. It is like dotting a capital I.

Very truly yours
S. F. Baird

Dr. Jno. Torrey.
N York

You have never said how many copies you want. How many plates were struck off for you and us.

TORREY CORRESPONDENCE
HERBARIUM
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

Smithsonian Ins
Washington Dec. 4' 1852

Dear Dr

I have directed the printer to strike off 1250 copies of Pl. Fremontiana. This is all the number of sets of plates we have. If there are any more than 1250 sets of plates, or if the stones are extant to print any more we should have 1500 sets. If the plates can be increased please tell Craighead immediately to increase the ed.

I have made some changes in the proof last received to bring up typography to our standard, & returned to Craighead

Dr. Jno. Torrey
N.Y.

yours truly
S. F. Baird

TORREY CORRESPONDENCE
HERBARIUM
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY N.Y.

Smithsonian Institution Washington D.C.

March 4' 1853.

My Dear Doctor.

I have been much pleased with your friend Dr. Agnew, and will with much pleasure do what I can to facilitate his movements. There is nothing now at all definite in prospect. but several indications of openings which may be available. Unfortunately there are several very powerful applications on file, before his. which may interfere somewhat. Still, I trust there will be room for all. Your best plan will be to write to Col. Abert nominating him as Surgeon to any exped. which the Topographical Bureau may send out. His only chance is as Surgeon.

We received a month or so ago. the third signature of the Plantae Fremontianae. This appeared to be the concluding portion. as it contains reference to plates. Please let me know whether there is to be any more, as I want all the printing paper in [illegible] not needed for this work sent immediately to Phila. for some actually in press there.

Yours truly S. F. Baird

Dr. Jno. Torrey
New York

Torrey Correspondence Herbarium Columbia University.

Smithsonian Institution
Washington May 19 1853

TORREY CORRESPONDENCE
HERBARIUM
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

My Dear Doctor

I am much obliged to you for the information about paper. I shall probably soon trouble you to get me some in N.Y. to ship to California, although I do not want it here.

The Exploring expeditions this year will do much for botany. I have endeavored to impress a botanical character very strongly upon them in my outfit. I have already supplied nine sets of presses and portfolios, and have three more in hand. Dr. Bigelow has at last consented to go with Lt. Whipple. Kreisfeldt, one of Fremont's botanical collectors, goes out with Gunnison in the same capacity.

We received some time ago in trust for the owner, the whole botanical collections of Dr. Berlandiere, amounting to thousands of species, occupying about 60 a 70 cubic feet. There are also reams of detailed and unpublished manuscript descriptions made from the fresh plants

What would any botanist or Institution give for them.

As soon as I get a little time, I will send on the copies of your paper as requested. The sheets only arrived a few days ago: too late to go in the 5th Vol. which is now being distributed. It will occupy the initial of Vol. VI. nearly ready.

The Bulletin has not been commenced. Perhaps if you were to write to Prof. Henry and urge its initiation, he might authorize it.

The meeting of Association will take place on the 28th of July.

Very truly Yours

S F Baird

TORREY CORRESPONDENCE
HERBARIUM
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

Dr. Jno. Torrey
New York

P.S. The presses are 18 by 14 inches

SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION
WASHINGTON D.C.

June 8' 1853

My dear Dr.

I write in haste at this moment to say that the public printer is about going at the new edition of Stansbury's report. and has consented to make any corrections I may indicate. If you have or can get a copy of the report, please make the corrections you desire, and send me. You can cut out the sheets containing the plants, I will send you another to replace the one defaced.

Very truly yours

Dr. Torrey

S F Baird

TORREY COLLECTION
HERBARIUM OF
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

TORREY CORRESPONDENCE
HERBARIUM
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

October 3. 1853

My Dear Doctor

On looking over the MSS. of Sitgreaves report now at the printers. I do not see your part on the botany. The foreman seemed surprised to learn that there was such a portion. and I promised to write and ascertain whether it had been supplied. Will you let me know to whom it was sent. and I will hunt it up. if not yet forwarded. it had better be soon as possible. as in the course of two or three weeks they will be up to that portion. If you will send it to me I will put it immediately in hand.

Will you be able to take a collection of plants made by Dr. Bigelow on the Arkansas at Fort Smith. and characterise the new species. if any, speedily? I

find a package for the good old Doctor from Joel Smith, with the request that you be urged to look over them and prevent any body this time from anticipating him.

Sincerely Yours

Spencer F. Baird

TORREY CORRESPONDENCE
HERBARIUM
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

Dr. Jno. Torrey
New York

October 3. 1833

My dear Doctor

In looking over the [illegible]
Fitzgerald report now at the [illegible]
[illegible] I do not see your [illegible]
in the catalogue. The former [illegible]
Hermit accompanied the Cross [illegible]
There was such a portion [illegible]
I promised to write and ascertain
whether it had been despatched. [illegible]
[illegible] not known to whom it was
sent, and I will remind [illegible]
not yet forwarded. It had better
be done as promptly as in the
course of two or three weeks they
will be up to that portion. If you
will send it to me I will forward it
immediately on hand

Will you be able to take
a little box of plants made [illegible]
Dr. [illegible] in the [illegible]
[illegible] and [illegible]
Your [illegible] of my [illegible]

SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION
WASHINGTON

October 12' 1853

CORRESPONDENCE
HERBARIUM
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

My dear Dr. Torrey

I wrote you some day ago enquiring on behalf of the public printer, whether you could not send on the botanical mss. for Woodhouse's Report. As this letter has probably miscarried, I write again at Mr. Smeets earnest request. The report of Capt. Sitgreaves is in type, to a considerable extent; now in the report by Dr. Woodhouse on the Mammalia. They are going steadily through and before many weeks will be ready to take up the botany and I fear that unless this is in hand then, they will omit it entirely.

Will you not let me have some expression of your views and desires in regard to the botanical collections of the different exploring parties. Will you have time with your new office, to take up the consideration & examination

of any of these, and if so what routes do you want. Of course you are entitled to such a share as you have time or willingness to undertake. Especially would you like Dr. Bigelows collections from the Arkansas River, of which a bundle is now in hand. It is very desirable that a report should be made on these collections, or such as may have arrived, by as early a period during the present session of Congress as possible.

As your researches and investigations of late years have been directed especially to the Texas & Arkansas country, it would be best to give Dr. Gray the collections north of this line. Hoping for a speedy reply I am

Sincerely Yours

Spencer F. Baird

TORREY CORRESPONDENCE
HERBARIUM
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

Dr. Jno. Torrey.
96 St. Marks Place
New York

December 12. 1853

My Dear Doctor

I send to-day the ten signatures of your article on Botany for Woodhouse. I am sorry that Small Caps are so scarce. However the Marcy article is to be better. I wish you would look over this, and send me any errata that they may be printed at the end if of importance. I have read the proof as carefully as I had time and trust that few errors have escaped notice. At any rate give me credit for a determined love of science in working over these reports till my eyes ache. Sitgreaves report has occupied in one way or another over 60 hours of solid time, and Marcys will require much more. I devote evenings till midnight, frequently, in proof reading and other fussing, and few persons have any idea of the difficulties under which we have to labor, where no standards of typography are on hand in previous works. I have the satisfaction of knowing that both these works would have been the veriest mess ever seen if I had not been willing to labor in season and out of season without the slightest reward beyond mere conscience. Do not scold me if all is not exactly correct, and write soon about errata.

Dr. Jno. Torrey
New York

Sincerely Yours
Spencer F. Baird

TORREY CORRESPONDENCE
HERBARIUM
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY

The introductory note came too late to prefix. I could barely get it in as an supplement.

P. S. 10 A.M. The mail is just in with your corrections for Plates X – XIII. Too late as all is worked off. I fear. I will do what I can however.

December 15 1853

My Dear Dr. Torrey.

I send you a slip containing the reference to plates for Sitgreaves report. I find you do not agree as to names in the mss. sent me. Please make in the proof the corrections desired and return immediately. I will try to delay the printing for a few days – but the proof should come back by return of mail.

Yours truly
S. F. Baird

Dr. John Torrey
New York

TORREY CORRESPONDENCE
HERBARIUM
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

TORREY CORRESPONDENCE
HERBARIUM
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY

December 20 '1853

My Dear Doctor

I have stolen from the printer at risk of incurring his high displeasure the proof of sheet of your Plantae Marcyanae which I now send. Return it to me by the mail leaving next Wednesday afternoon, and send by letter mail, as I do not pamphlet.

I have received your corrected sheets of Sitgreaves, and do not think you do either myself or the printer full justice in this matter, of remarks thereon in your letter. I enclose a table which I have just prepared showing the present condition of the text as printed, the way in which it reads in the MS. and the changes you have made of the printed text in your revise. You may depend upon the accuracy of the tables, and I doubt not you will be surprised to see how many of the errors of omission and of commission of punctuation &c. are your own. I corrected myself all the misspellings of the text as printed with few exceptions; but as I could readily

have seen them two proofs. some remained uncorrected, especially as at times I absolutely could not find time to visit the office and examine myself. Still you see that almost the only positive errors of spelling, as Kallstroemeria and Helio-trophium were your own; the omissions and blanks always yours and the variations of punctuation partly yours and partly the printers. The rest may be ascribed to positive mis-take on part of printer, and to natural misconstruction of your hasty ms.

There now. - I have fired a red hot shot into you - which will not make you burst however, I hope. The printers ought to have the credit of doing well as they could when they were issuing about 200 pages a day of such matter. Public documents &c. - I have had no in-terest beyond a jealous vigilance for the rights of science, and a desire to do what I could to remedy an evil: I think that no comparison can be made between the present state

TORREY CORRESPONDENCE
HERBARIUM
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

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[illegible] Barnard [illegible]

the [illegible] [illegible]

very [illegible] [illegible]

mind, as I do, [illegible]

I have [illegible]

think of [illegible]

you the [illegible] either [illegible]

friends [illegible] bill for [illegible]

of remarks [illegible]

I [illegible]

just prepared [illegible] the [illegible]

Conductor of the last so [illegible]

the way in which I read [illegible]

the Tim. and the [illegible]

you have made of the [illegible]

that in your [illegible]. [illegible]

upon the accuracy of [illegible]

and I doubt not [illegible]

pained to see [illegible]

[illegible] of [illegible] and of [illegible]

of punctuation [illegible]

corrected [illegible].

Copy of the bill [illegible]

for [illegible]

of printing here and the past. By keeping the printer folk in good humour we can manage to have the best possible done: if they choose to be rampageous there is no help but to suffer all they can inflict.

Dont forget to return the proof immediately by letter mail. I have not yet looked at it. It is as it comes first from printer

Dont ask them to change the reference to italic: as they wont do it.

TORREY CORRESPONDENCE
HERBARIUM
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

Ever yours

S F Baird

Dr. Jno. Torrey
N. Y.

Jany 18. 1854

Dear Doctor

I send you the sheets of Marcy Botany. I endeavoured to have your corrections made as faithfully as possible. In revising to see if this had been done, I observed several places where I thought I detected errors in the original, but as you made no correction of them in your proof, I of course did not venture to alter them.

Dr. Bigelow left at Albuquerque a collection of over 1000 species of plants to be sent in in spring.

Yours truly
S F Baird

Dr. Jno. Torrey
New York

TORREY CORRESPONDENCE
HERBARIUM
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

April 17' 1854

My Dear Doctor

Sitgreaves Report will be out in a couple of weeks. Marcy probably not for a month. I will see that you have "one" of Sitgreaves, and can promise several copies of the Botany of Marcy. House of Reps. has just ordered a new edition of 10.000 copies of Marcy. If they order Sitgreaves I can manage to get some.

I can get as many copies of the Nat. History of Stansbury report, by paying for press work & paper. I have the use of the Stereotype plates of the first edition.

No tidings of those collections of which Lawrence spoke to you. They were to be sent in by Capt. Pope from Dr. Henry who has not yet arrived. You shall have them immediately if they come to the Smithsonian

TORREY CORRESPONDENCE HERBARIUM COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

I have heard nothing from you respecting the purchase by Short of Berlandières plants. How about it

The meeting of Association promises largely. I am glad you are coming.

Sincerely Yours
S. F. Baird

TORREY CORRESPONDENCE
HERBARIUM
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

Dr. Jno. Torrey
96 St Marks place
New York

My dear Sister

Ridgeway's Report will be out in a couple of weeks. [illegible] probably not for a month. I will see that you have one of Ridgeway's and can [illegible] copies of the Botany of [illegible] of Refs. [illegible] edition of 1000 copies of [illegible] of them [illegible] Ridgeway's. I [illegible] manage to get some.

I can get as many copies of the [illegible] of [illegible] Report: by paying for the [illegible] paper. [illegible] the [illegible] plates of the first edition.

The [illegible] of these I believe which [illegible] to you. [illegible] Pole from [illegible] who has not got [illegible] shall have them [illegible] if they come to the [illegible]

[illegible]

May 14' 1854.

TORREY COLL[illegible]
HERBAR[illegible]
COLUMBIA U[illegible]

My Dear Doctor,

You are mistaken in supposing that the ball of plants sent you a day or two ago, was the Albuquerque collection. They were sent back on the route. A couple of hundred miles above Fort Smith. The Albuquerque things are to be found consigned to E. & G. W. Blunt. Wall St. N. Y. Ask there whether the packages in charge of the Armijo's have come.

The collections made from Albuquerque to the Pacific are all in California with Dr. Bigelow. He kept them to dry thoroughly before sending. He does not leave before June.

Dr. Kenny's plants have not yet come. I have advices of a box from Texas which I am expecting daily: ~~which~~ may contain the desiderata.

Dr. Gray has Coopers plants as you suppose. They are however very few in number, and of little value.

As to the discreditable

passage in the life of ~~De Candolle~~ Dr. Berlandiere. It is barely possible that there may be two sides to the question, and that further investigation may show that he has been unjustly dealt with. We can tell more about this hereafter.

It would have afforded me much pleasure to have had a talk with you about Smithsonian matters, and feel assured I could have explained all as regards myself to your full satisfaction. I distinctly and positively deny any complicity in or knowledge of any combination to drive Prof. Henry away from the Institution. Such an idea has never been presented to me, and I most certainly would reject it indignantly. Prof. Jewett knows me too well, and my warm feelings towards Prof. Henry ever to approach me on such a subject. It is true that I sympathize to some extent in the Library Plans of Mr. Jewett, and that I want to have as much encouragement for the Natural History as I can get. but I am as deeply interested in the

Columbia University

May 14 1854

My dear Sister,

You are no doubt [illegible] disappointed that the box of plants [illegible] sent you a day or two ago for the Albuquerque collection. [illegible] back in the [illegible]. [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] in the [illegible] of

~~Constable~~ & Co, Edinburgh, it is quite possible that there may be fuller details of the specimen, and that further information may show that he has been [illegible] with the case [illegible] years [illegible] than his [illegible].

It would have afforded me much pleasure to have had a talk with you about Franklin [illegible] matters. And I feel assured I could have afforded all the information of your full satisfaction. I distinctly and positively deny any complicity or knowledge of any combination to drive [illegible] away from the Antarctic. Such an idea has never been presented to me, and I would certainly regard it indignantly. [illegible] [illegible] me to [illegible], and [illegible] very interesting [illegible] [illegible] to afford me [illegible] [illegible] but that [illegible] to [illegible] extent in the [illegible] [illegible] of [illegible], and [illegible] of [illegible] to have a [illegible] [illegible] in the National [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] a [illegible] [illegible] in the

system of active operations as is Prof. H. himself: I could not abandon a single one: I can confidently appeal to Prof. Henry whether I have not enlisted with heart, head, and hand into the measures he has entrusted to me, and have not played an important part, if subordinate, in their successful realisation.

I do not think Prof. Henry has done me justice in these matters. With a warm personal love for him, equal to that I have for any man on earth, and with an eager desire to assist him in all his operations, I have been chilled by his reserve, want of confidence, and not infrequent harsh accusations. For a year after my entrance in the Institution, my intercourse with a father could not have been more kind and affectionate: any measure of policy was freely discussed between us, and no secrets of any kind existed. After a time however this state of things began to change, and at the present time is entirely reversed. I know nothing of the general business of the Institution: the first

intimation of some important ~~or interesting~~ action being learned from some stranger, or read in the public paper. Matters even in which I have a direct interest, and which it is in every way proper I should be consulted about, are arranged and consummated without the slightest reference to myself. I have other just causes of complaint, produced by the suspicion which Prof. Henry seems to have of my motives and actions. Notwithstanding all this however, my heart warms to him whenever the sunshine appears on his face, and for a moment he resumes the kind familiarity and confidence of other days.

In all he does, Prof. Henry undoubtedly thinks he has just cause for action ~~thus~~, but as regards myself and any feelings of hostility or unwillingness to carry out his instructions, he is entirely mistaken. I have at various times endeavored to convince him of this, and sometimes succeeded for a while, but the clouds would again gather.

TORREY COLLECTION HERBARIUM COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY

[illegible] of [illegible] affection [illegible]
[illegible] could not [illegible]
[illegible] I can confidently [illegible]
to [illegible] whether I have not [illegible]
with heart, head, and hand with the
measures he has undertaken to [illegible]
and have not helped an infor-
tal part of [illegible] in their [illegible]
[illegible] realization.

I do not blame [illegible]
[illegible] the justice to [illegible]
[illegible], with a coarse peasant [illegible]
for him, against the [illegible] I have for
have known on earth, and with
an eager desire to attain the re-
all his operations. I have [illegible]
[illegible] to his success, [illegible] con-
fidence, and not [illegible]
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the result of any [illegible] [illegible].
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of things began to change, and at
the present time is entirely reversed.
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[illegible] of the [illegible] the first

I know he considers me forward and sometimes presuming; what appeared such has always been the promptings of an active mind, desirous of carrying out his plans so as to relieve him of trouble. That I have had any desire of notoriety or that it is my disposition to make a flourish before the world it would I think be difficult to prove.

As I have always been, so I am now ready to carry out the plans of the Institution to the spirit and letter. I think that knowledge would be advanced more by expending less on publications, and more on the natural history operations, not mere taxidermical outlays &c, but active researches and explorations, &c. That the collections together extended materials for Natural History Monographs, is legitimately connected with Prof. Henrys system is shown by the fact that 3/4^ths of all the expenditures by the Institution on publications have been for the

exposition of the results from such materials. And the Institution has now within its walls a much greater amount of new and unpublished matter of this kind than it has yet presented to the world in its "Contributions".
Still if Prof. Henry determines differently. I have no right nor intention to object; although I may still retain my own private opinions. yet I shall not let them affect my official actions.

But I have bored you enough with this scrawl. which I dare say you cannot read.

Sincerely yours

S F Baird

Dr. Jno. Torrey
New York

TORREY HERBARIUM
HERBARIUM
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

May 24./54

Dear Doctor,

Why was not Botany plate 18 (abronia) of Marcy's report furnished to Ackermann. It was given to me in the text, and the discrepancy is annoying. Can it be supplied now?

Yours truly
S F Baird

Dr. J. Torrey
New York.

I make above enquiry at request of Supt. Public Printing

CORRESPONDENCE
HERBARIUM
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

Recd & ansd
Sept 14th

New York Sept. 11. 1854
Monday Morning.

TORREY CORRESPONDENCE
HERBARIUM
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

My Dear Doctor

I called at assay office and your house this morning hoping to see you: but in vain: and tried hard to get to you a week ago but was disappointed. I wished especially to report that Capt. Pope has arrived with a large collection of plants, a portion only collected by Dr. Henry; the rest by himself. He is very anxious to get a list of them at the earliest possible moment as he has to hand in his report at once — wishes to know if you could possibly have it by the end of October. He will have funds for making drawings: as to compensation to yourself, he is uncertain as yet but will inq. Drop me a line to Sing Sing, where I shall be in a day or two, and at same time tell me when Prof. Henry will be back.

I am now en route for a little fishing about Brooklyn and have some other short excursions in view. Shall then go to Phila. to make some examinations at the Acad: I leave early next week in all probability.

Mrs. B is with me at Sing Sing, where Gen. Churchill's family is likewise. She is much improved by her sea shore trip, though still far from well.

Yours truly
S. F. Baird

TORREY CORRESPONDENCE
HERBARIUM
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

Sing Sing NY
Sept. 12/54

Dear Doctor

I enclose a letter from St. Warren which speaks for itself. Please return it when perused with any suggestions in your power. Would Dr. Antisell go? The pay will probably be about $1.00 per month, and all expenses found. Please communicate at once with him on the subject.

Can you find out when Dr. Agnew will be back, and whether he would go or have you any other good man in eye. Write me here soon as possible on these subjects.

TORREY CORRESPONDENCE
HERBARIUM
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

Ever Yours
J. G. Beach

Recd. & Ans'd
March 27th —

March 24' 1855

My Dear Doctor

Your letter of March 16th reached me this morning marked "Missent" and I hasten to answer it. There is no sign as yet of expeditions for the spring: although it is quite probable that some will go: You shall have due notice as soon as I learn.

There is no telling when there will be any coloring for the reports: especially as no plates have been put in hand. Much will depend on where the plates are done, or the contracts made: though I fear that the whole thing will be botched as a Job such as they know how to manage in this city. Still I will do my best in the matter —

I have been very

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busily at work on the Mammals of Expeditions, and have already scribbled off many hundreds of pages. It is however entirely impossible to finish even part this spring. and I must have till next winter at least. They talk of having all the Natural History reports in a separate series of volumes to appear after the Reports proper are finished. What think you of that?

Very truly & sincerely
Yours
Spencer F. Baird

TORREY CORRESPONDENCE
HERBARIUM
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

Dr. Jno. Torrey
96 St Marks Place
New York

I had a letter today from Schott. dated Camp Yuma. Feb 9th. He sends some plants to yr

March 31. 1858

Smithsonian Institution Washington

Dear Dr

I dont know Dr. Kenny's address: but if you enclose to the Surgeon generals office they will forward.

I think the plan of deferring the Natural History of expedition till the printing of the Geographical portion, is much the best. From conversations generally with Whipple I feel assured he will gladly assent to A. Bebbs publish the diagnoses as you propose. I hope to have matter myself for at least one large quarto volume. first lot on all the collections.

Dr. Jno. Torrey
N.Y. Assay Office
N.Y.

Yours truly
S. F. Baird

TORREY CORRESPONDENCE
HERBARIUM
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION
WASHINGTON D.C.

April 17 1858

TORREY CORRESPONDENCE
HERBARIUM
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

My dear Dr

I sent you this morning a short reply to your letter dated 12th but only arrived this morning. I could send no letter of introduction as no Army Surgeon was stationed at Ft. Inge. I can however give him a letter or two to individuals about San Antonio, or perhaps other places I know who and where he settles. Deerman is somewhere near San Antonio, settled on a farm.

Lt Williamson will go out to North California in a few weeks to make a railroad survey. He has no allowance for Naturalist, but can have a citizen Surgeon. He wants a first rate surgeon as his party will include over one hundred men, and would be glad to have in him a Naturalist. He has offered the place to Dr J. S. Newberry of Cleveland, an excellent

man, and a pretty good botanist;
especially addicted to the Coal
plants. He was telegraphed yes-
terday, but has not yet replied.
In case he will not go, it would
be well to have some one else in
view. Who can you recommend?
Let me know at once: name, quali-
fication, age &c. Where is Dr. Agnew?
I wish he could be available.
Williamson will also want a geologist,
probably, although one is partially
bespoken.

It seems pretty well understood
~~that~~ the natural history reports
will come last in a separate
set of vols. All the botany thus
~~together~~. But I would not merge
all in one. As you say that would
be unjust to the small collections
make separate reports for Beck-
with Pope. but to complete the
thing I would make a brief men-
tion in Whipple's report of the others
and indeed of all the western
species except Mexican Boundary.
My plan is to render the totality
of the Zoological reports series as
a complete work on the western
country, whether all the

species were collected by the Expe-
ditions or not; the object is to
illustrate the country, not merely
the individual expedition. Of course
I would not give so great a prominence
to these intercalated species. But
you will never again have such a chance
of presenting a great work on Western
Botany and I would not lose it.
Take great care however not
to publish first in these reports any
new species first or sooner collected on
the Mexican Boundary. All of
these of you want to give them, should
be made up into a short paper and
published under name of Mex. Boundy.
any; you can then introduce from
this in quotation. It would dis-
tress the Major very much to
be anticipated,
Prof. Henry authorises me to
send Dr. Darlington half a dozen
of his paper

TORREY CORRESPONDENCE
HERBARIUM
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

Very truly Yours
Spencer F Baird

Dr. Jno. Torrey
NY

Smithsonian Institution
736
Washington D.C.

May 24. 1855

TORREY CORRESPONDENCE
HERBARIUM
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

My Dear Dr

I have seen Beckwith and Whipple, and now write the result. The conclusion seems to be that it will be best to furnish Beckwiths Paper short reports at once and let them be published with the geographical portions. This you can easily do.

As to Whipple, I would (entre nous) go on and do it up as thoroughly and fully as possible. No one has told you that it must be done in a month. When you get such an order, if you cant get a longer extension of time, then you can

finish it up. My own impression however from the intelligence and liberality of Col. Davis and Capt. Humphreys is that they will leave yourself to be the Judge within reasonable limits, and that if you require ten months more, you can get it. It will be a thousand pities not to do the thing up in style. Mr. Whipple agrees with me perfectly in this.

~~By having~~ Pope and Beckwith published first. You can introduce their species in Whipples report, so as to make a single report on the Botany of the West. Dr. Gray is now at work on the plants of Stevens party. under authority from Capt. H.

I still expect to carry out my plan with regard to ~~the~~ zoology. It will probably be a year before I can finish the whole

Ever yours

Spencer F Baird

Dr. Jn. Torrey

NY

TORREY CORRESPONDENCE
HERBARIUM
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

March 4th 1855

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My dear Dr

I have seen Beckwith and Whipple, and we wrote the result. The conclusion seems to be that it will be best to furnish Beckwith — Pope [illegible] of one and let them be published with the geographical portions. This you can easily do.

As to Whipple, I would write him by no means to [illegible] it up as thoroughly and fully as possible. I have told you that it would be done in a month. When you get the Lane order, if you can't get a copy written [illegible] of time. Then we can

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gence and liberality of Ch.
Clan and Call. Hermphreys is
[illegible] will leave equally to
[illegible] reasonable
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] agrees
with [illegible] in this.
Bixby [illegible] and Bat-
with Bulletin print [illegible]
can introduce them [illegible]
in Bulletin [illegible] do at the
make a single [illegible] or the
Bixby [illegible] the [illegible]
in now all work on the [illegible]
[illegible] party [illegible]
from Call. [illegible] expect to [illegible]
[illegible] with [illegible] the
[illegible] will probably be a [illegible]
before I can [illegible] the whole
[illegible] Yours
[illegible] of Barr

SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION
927
WASHINGTON D.C.

June 25 1855

TORREY CORRESPONDENCE
HERBARIUM
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

My Dear Dr.

I have but little information to give respecting the intentions or probabilities of the P. RR. reports. I have been working diligently at the collections and have covered an awful pile of paper without ever getting nearer the end. I hardly dare to think when I shall get through.

The present plan seems rather to be that of having each report ~~cons~~ to begin with a new paging and be complete in itself without reference to the others. This will enable several parts to be going on at once. Thus the Zoology will have a new paging, botany do. & for each report. Your botanical report can then be printed at

any time without reference to the operations of any one else.

I have learned nothing of the Superintendents intentions as to the Botanical or Zoological plates, but expect a visit from him shortly, when I shall know. What I gather then I will write you.

There is no time thus fixed for commencing the Nat. Hist. printing, and I presume you will have all the leisure you wish for it — or ought to!

Very truly Yours

S. F. Baird

Dr. Jno. Torrey
N.Y.

TORREY CORRESPONDENCE
HERBARIUM
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

June 25 1853

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My dear Sir

I have but little in-
formation to give respecting the
alterations in publication of the
P.R.R. reports. I have been con-
fined [?] completely at the collection
and have caused an ample [?]
pile of paper without any pol- [?]
icy reason [?] the end. I hardly
dare to think when I shall
get through.

The present plan seems
rather to be that of having
each report come to begin with
a new paging and be complete
in itself without reference to the
others. This will enable sev-
eral parts to be going on at once.
Then the Zoology will have
a new paging, the Botany etc. in
in each volume. [illegible] [illegible]

July 1, 1855

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WASHINGTON D.C.

TORREY CORRESPONDENCE
HERBARIUM
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

My Dear Dr.

I regret much the confusion in the RR reports, and the unseemly haste of the printers. As to my part, I absolutely cannot give my reports now. If they cant allow them to stand longer, then I must submit to their not appearing at all, or in some other way. I think it would be a good plan for you to write to Col. Davis, begging for his influence in favor of a delay, of time sufficient to do your part creditably, and send the letter to Prof. Henry requesting him to deliver it, with his own views on the subject. State the great impropriety of having text printed at any rate before the

plates are finished. or at least proofed.
and the gross injustice done
authors in solidifying and perpetuating what they have written,
so as to appear at least a
year behind the date of appearance
I have not an idea that if
printed now. your report would
be distributed in a years ~~from now~~ time

Nothing has yet been done
about ~~the~~ Nat. History plates.
Seaman has not even seen
what I have here!

We have nothing of
California Acad. about plants,
except what appears in a weekly
paper. Shall I send you the
file of this?

Yours truly
S. F. Baird

Dr. Jno. Torrey
NY

TORREY CORRESPONDENCE
HERBARIUM
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

My dear Dr

I regret much the con-
fusion in the N.P. reports, even
the unnecessary haste of the printer
is to my grief absolutely.
I cannot give my reports now. If
they cant allow them to stand
longer, then I must submit to
their not appearing at all
or in some other way. I think
it would be a good plan for you
to write to Col. Baird begging
for his influence in favor of a
delay. I have suffered to do
you great credit ... and send
the letter to Prof. Henry requesting
him to deliver it, with his own
views on the subject. State the
great importance of having it
printed at any rate before the

plates are printed, or at least proofs
and the plates engraved done
written in lithography and perfect-
writing what they have written.
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year behind the date of appearance
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printed now, you expect would
be distributed in a year from now
Nothing has yet been done
about the Nat. History Plates
Seaman has not even seen
what I have here!
We have nothing of
Californian Crab about which
result what appears in a monthly
paper. Shall I send you the
page of this?

Yours truly
W. H. Dall

[illegible]

SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION
1624
WASHINGTON D.C.

July 13. 1855

Dear Dr.

Seaman has just advertised for proposals to do Botanical plates on copper. I presume however he would agree to engraving on Stone.

Send on your proposal in behalf of Prestele at once. Address direct to Mr. Seaman and send me copy.

Yours truly
S F Baird

Dr. Jno. Torrey
N.Y.

TORREY CORRESPONDENCE
HERBARIUM
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

[illegible]

Dear Sir

Seemann has just
advertised for proposals
to the Botanical public
in [illegible]. I presume he
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

Yours truly
S. F. Baird

Dr. Asa Gray

Washington
April 15th 1856

My Dear Doctor,

I wish you would make an offer in behalf of Prestele for engraving the plates of Botany P. R.R. as the matter is to be closed on the 25th prox. If you know what he will do them for, send word to Mr. Seaman, as he is desirous that Prestele should do them. He can bid for both engraving and printing, or for engraving alone.

Sincerely Yours
Spencer F. Baird

Dr. Torrey
N.Y.

TORREY CORRESPONDENCE
HERBARIUM
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

Smithsonian Institution,
Washington City Jan. 7. 1851

TORREY CORRESPONDENCE
HERBARIUM
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

Dear Sir,

I am now preparing, and have nearly ready, a series of directions for collecting, preserving, packing, and transporting specimens of Natural History, for the benefit of the Smithsonian Institution. I wish to add an indication of the extent to which exploration have been made in each department, what regions have been investigated, and what left untouched. Will you lend a helping hand in the way of Botany? The directions for collecting, are mainly those of Hooker in the Admiralty Manual, and I should ~~be glad~~ to have any amendments which suggest themselves to you. But what I want more particularly is an article as long or as short as you please, as to the particular regions of North America which have been, not ~~at~~ all, or insufficiently investigated, with a brief statement of the exploration which have been made. Also a reference to especial desiderata, in the way of species, genera or families, or of special investigations to be carried on. This "Manual" will be distributed very widely, to all exploring parties, military posts &c. and will no doubt yield important results, in which I am anxious that Botany shall have full share. If you will furnish this paragraph or article, please let me have it as

soon as possible, as I wish to get out the work immediately.

I am sorry that the text to your Botanical paper for the Smithsonian Contributions, will not be ready for the 2d volume: that is, unless the mss. be now ready. The plates are all finished and here, and it would not take long to print the text in New York. Its not appearing in the 2d vol. now nearly ready for the binder, will cause an undesirable delay in publishing the results of your labors to the world. What will you do with the new plants of Mr. Rich. Could not they come in as an appendix?

Yours respectfully

S. F. Baird

Asst. Sec. Sm. Ins

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Dr. John Torrey

New York

Smithsonian Institution
Washington Feb. 7' 1857

Dear Sir,

I saw Thomas H. Benton yesterday who stated that Col. Fremont was laid up in California with sciatica, and that it is out of the question for him to return shortly. This will preclude the getting additional matter from him, and you had better therefore put your mss. to press immediately. It will go in the forthcoming volume, if printed immediately. Will you therefore attend to this matter? If the whole mss. is not ready, give Jenkins the first part, and while he is printing, you might be completing. It ought all to be done in 3 weeks or less. Should the additional matter arrive hereafter, it might be inserted in a supplement with additional species.

Have you seen the Botanical lists in Roemer's Texas. It includes several new species. I noticed recently several monographs of plants including N. American, in the Bulletin of the Imp. Acad. of St. Petersburg.

Yours truly,
S. F. Baird.

Dr. John Torrey
New York.

TORREY CORRESPONDENCE
HERBARIUM
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

Smithsonian Institution
Washington Feb. 16th 1851

TORREY CORRESPONDENCE
HERBARIUM N.Y.
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

Dear Doctor,

We propose instituting a series of operations for the purpose of securing a registry of periodical phenomena, as first suggested by Quetelet, Selys de Longchamps and others. For this purpose we intend to issue lists of objects animal and vegetable to be observed, with directions how to make the observations in question. These will be sent to all our meteorological stations some hundreds in number, and distributed over the whole of North America. In this way, in a few years will be collected a large amount of material from which important generalisations may be made.

Now You are the proper person to prepare a list of the plants which would be suitable for this purpose. They should be species pretty generally distributed throughout the United States, and should include the principal naturalized and introduced species. By a reference to the reports of the British Association for 1845, you will see the list selected by the European observers, with the conditions attended to in its selection. All of these found in this country, either native or introduced, should be employed.

The lists of animals & plants with the directions for observing, will probably be appended to the meteorological report, preparing for us by M. Guyot.

Will You not do this for the Smithsonian Institution?

Were there any one else in the country who could do this item you would not be troubled, but unfortunately there is not. We would be glad to have it at your earliest convenience. The lists should be prepared so as to send out immediately, and have them reach their destination in time for the Spring operations. An hours work will do it all, if you have the report of 1845 before you.

You do not say any thing about the California plant paper. Have you done anything in regard to printing it?

Yours truly
S. F. Baird

Dr. John Torrey
New York.

TORREY CORRESPONDENCE
HERBARIUM
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

Smithsonian Institution
Washington March 25th 1851

TORREY CORRESPONDENCE
HERBARIUM
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY

Dear Doctor,

I have the pleasure of sending to you a copy of the Periodical Phenomena circular. Some hundreds have already been distributed, and more will be sent off in the course of a few days.

How do you come on with Fremonts article. Are you almost ready to put to press, Please let me know the probable number of pages it will make.

Captain Stansbury is very anxious to know how many plates will be required to illustrate his botany. This information is imperative as unless he claims the full number now he may not get them for his report. Will you not relieve his mind on this subject

How about the paper on Major Emory's plants? He was here to-day and read as your letter to him about the drawings. Professor Henry would be very willing to publish in the Smithsonian Contributions, except that it would in a measure infringe upon the fundamental principle of the Institution viz.- not to do what others will. Now, will not Government publish for the Major? If not then Smithsonian steps in and asks how much matter will there be; How many plates will be required in <u>all</u>. How long a time would be required to have figures drawn, How long to engrave: Can they be engraved in Paris at less cost than here. How soon will Dr. Torrey furnish mss. complete. All these are questions which Smithsonian begs you to answer.

If we took the Major's paper, we would want all. Not merely the descriptions of new species, but the commentaries and lists of the old.

What kind of a paper could be made on general Botany of California including Rich, Fremont, Emory, Parry Douglas, Hartweg &c. describing new and mentioning old. Might include Exploring expedition species, by name but not describe.

We received yesterday proofs of 12 plates of Harvey's memoir. Look very well. There will be 60 in all. He proposes to send Mss. by Dr. Gray. What number of copies can we sell in this country, colored and uncolored. What number in Europe. Of course you can only approximate, but please give us your ideas by return of mail, as it is necessary to send immediate word to Harvey with regard to striking off the plates. The cost to purchasers will be a minimum.

Very truly Yours
S. F. Baird

TORREY CORRESPONDENCE
HERBARIUM
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

Dr. John Torrey
Princeton

Smithsonian
April 22. 1857

Dear Dr,

I enclose Schotts last production, made from an original. If you dont want the first he wishes it returned.

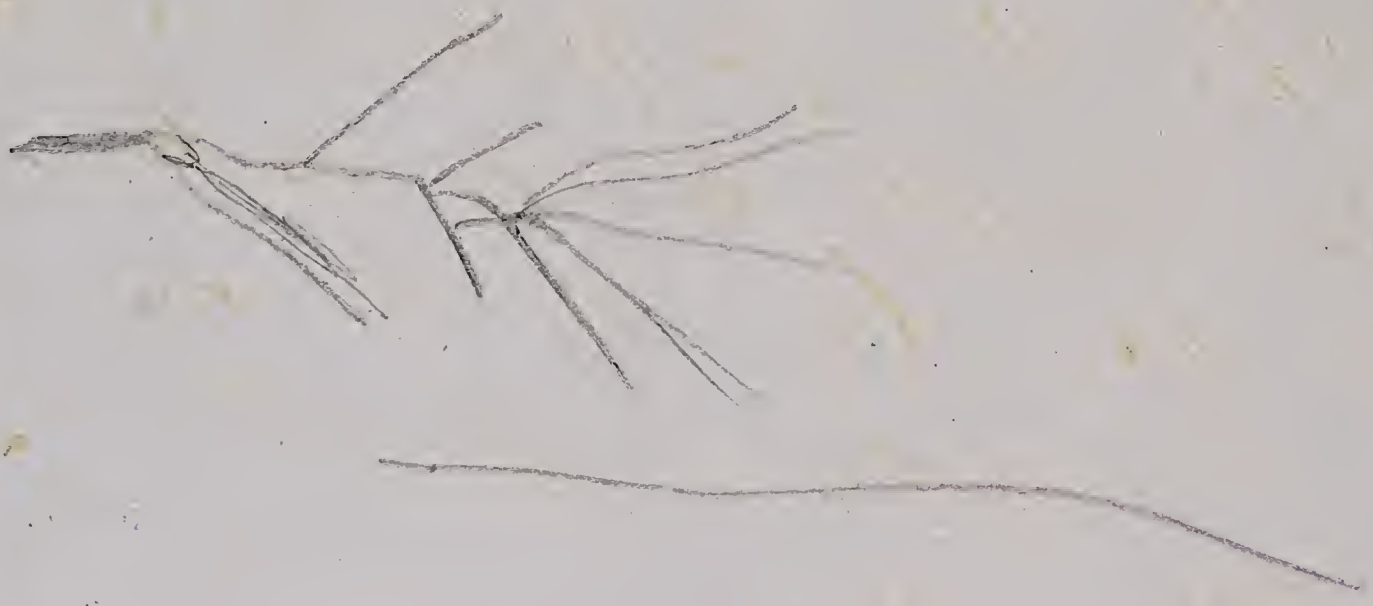
If Schott will do for Stansbury's plants, write to the Capt. and ask that he be sent on.

I write in great haste. Truly yrs

TORREY CORRESPONDENCE
HERBARIUM
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

S. F. Baird

Dr. Jno. Torrey
Princeton.



Smithsonian Institution
Washington July 12' 1851

Dear Doctor,

Prof. Henry being quite unwell requests me to write you on the subject of the Memoir on Fremontian plants &c. I have written to Craighead, 117. Fulton St. N. York, for his charge for printing our 4to. papers and expect his answer in a day or two. We are thoroughly tired of Jenkins, who is a poke, and a poor one at that, requiring entirely too much watching and supervision. as soon as we conclude, you shall know about it.

What shall be the title of your paper? Anything like this:

Plantae Fremontianae

or

Description of Plants collected in California, by Col. J. C. Fremont.

~~By~~

By

Dr. John Torrey.

Or Descriptions of plants collected by Col, J. C. Fremont, in California. By John Torrey &c.

This for the bastard title or first page. What next shall be the running title.

TORREY CORRESPONDENCE
HERBARIUM
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY

As for the style of the paper a best pattern is ~~that~~ of Dr. Gray's Plantae Wrightianae, of which one sheet has been ~~publis~~ printed. It is supposed to be for the 3rd Vol. Smithsonian Contributions. If you have not yet seen this I will write to Metcalf &c. to send you one. ~~wh~~ we have a single copy, only, here.

Dr. Riddell of New Orleans has just written to us, asking whether we will print a Catalogue of the plants of Louisiana, embracing some new species. The list exceeds 2000. What think you of his capabilities in this line, and of the desirableness of such action on our part.

Truly Yours
S. F. Baird

TORREY CORRESPONDENCE
HERBARIUM
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

Dr. Jno. Torrey
~~New York.~~
Princeton

Can't you extend your paper to about 48 pp. There won't be enough ~~and~~ to hold the plates together.

Washington July 28. 1851

Your paper is
No. 1. of Vol. 3.

Dear Doctor.

I have written to-day to Crayhead, saying that you would immediately send him Ms. of a paper. and enclosed a circular of directions a copy of which is herewith sent. I shall want to see the first sheet before striking off. to be sure of its harmonising with the rest of the papers. I leave to-morrow for Carlisle, and shall be in N. York about the middle of next week, by which time if you send Crayhead copy immediately. I can see proof.

If I have time. I will stop in Princeton from the morning to the evening train, to see you on this subject, with Prof. H. who will be there likewise.

Sincerely yours
S. F. Baird

TORREY CORRESPONDENCE
HERBARIUM
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

Dr. Jno. Torrey
Princeton
N. J.

New York Sept. 12' 1851.

Dear Doctor.

I had a long conversation with Dr. Gray about the style of your Plantae Fremontianae, and he suggested several important modifications in the arrangement of matter. The large type of the generic description he objected to, and advised the same as the rest of the article. (Pica), making it conspicuous however by double leading. This will of course reduce the size of the generic names, which the arrangement, we concluded to be better thus

Spraguea. n. g.

Description ———

S. umbellata Torrey, Tab. 1.

What do you think of this? Please write me word either to United States Hotel, Phila, or to Reading, Penn. I go to Phila. to-morrow afternoon and to Reading, on Monday afternoon.

Is Prof. Henry in Princeton?

Yours Sincerely
S. F. Baird

Dr. Jno. Torrey
Princeton

TORREY CORRESPONDENCE
HERBARIUM
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

Washington Nov. 3. 1851

Dear Professor

Please consider this an Association, not Smithsonian, ~~Dun~~. Dun.

1 On two new Species of Juglans,

2. On Chenopodeaceae of N. Am.

Wanted <u>immediately</u> the above articles, for which a liberal price will be paid.

Apply to

S. F. Baird

TORREY CORRESPONDENCE
HERBARIUM
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

Dr. Jno. Torrey,

Smithsonian
Washington Dec. 2. 1857

[library stamp]

Dear Doctor,

What would you think of our sending on the ten plates of Leidy's Entophyta to Paris, to be engraved on copper. Did not De Caisne promise to superintend any work of this kind? What do you think 4to plates like ours would cost? How long might it take to have them done? Have you received any proofs of those sent for Emory, and have you any bill? I would much like to see a proof.

How comes on the Plantae Fremontianae? We are sorry not to have it for the next meeting of the board. Cannot the text go on printing, while the plate is being retified? If it can be issued this month it would be highly desirable.

TORREY CORRESPONDENCE HERBARIUM COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

Yours sincerely
S. F. Baird

Dr. Jno. Torrey
New York

No. 1567 Smithsonian Institution,

Washington, D. C. December 24 1857

TORREY CORRESPONDENCE
HERBARIUM

Dear Dr.

When you wrote about Mr Hogg and his intention to join ~~the~~ La Plata expedition if possible I could give no information about the chances. I now learn that the party will start early in January (about the 5th perhaps) in sailing vessel for Rosario about 500 miles above Buenos Ayres. The only situation that could by any possibility be procurable by Mr. Hogg would be ~~that~~ of Hospital Steward. the duties of which would be merely nominal I presume. The pay would be about 24 dollars per month, and the party would of course be required to mess with the men. These will be about 15 in number, and of picked material.

I wish you would see Mr. Hogg at once and ascertain

whether he would be willing
to go under such circumstances.
It is by no means certain that
he can get the place as partial
arrangements have already been
made to fill it, but it is possi-
ble ~~that~~ if prompt action be
taken, ~~that~~ it may be secured.

Let me know therefore
as speedily as possible Mr.
Hoggs views on the subject

Ever Yours

Spencer F Baird

Dr. Jno. Torrey
New York

TORREY CORRESPONDENCE
HERBARIUM
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

No. 1089 **Smithsonian Institution,**

Washington, D. C. Oct. 9 1858

TORREY CORRESPONDENCE
HERBARIUM
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

Dear Dr.

I find on my return here a small box for Dr. Kellogg of S. Francisco containing fruit of the Marra in alcohol. for you. What shall we do with it? Send on by Express?

Yours truly
S. F. Baird

Dr. Torrey

No. 1123 Smithsonian Institution,

Recd & ansd. Washington, D. C. Oct. 21 1858

Oct 25

TORREY CORRESPONDENCE
HERBARIUM
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

My Dear Dr

I begin to see daylight with Pub. Docs. I have just finished report on birds Pacific RR. 900 4to pp. I have now only about 600 pp. reptiles to do. Mexican Boundary report all in type, but not read. There will be a separate paging of each article: with distinct title, index &c.

Newberry is now here: he expects in a few days to send his plants to Dr Gray, who will send you all or part as you may wish.

The Patent office collections are all transferred, but we are not progressing very fast in their arrangement. Too much to do

Sincerely Yours
Spencer F. Baird

Dr. Jno Torrey
N.Y.

TORREY CORRESPONDENCE
HERBARIUM
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY

I hear no note of preparation for new expeditions

No. 1169 **Smithsonian Institution,**

Washington, D. C. October 27 1858

Dear Dr.

I should have sent the report on mammals of Mex. Boundary is in type - some 8 or 10 signatures: they can readily set up 600 or more quarto pages without printing off. They probably however have much of this locked up in other works, and may not send you more until you have read what you have.

The Fort Tejon plants are still here: there is no danger of their going abroad before passing under review of yourself & Dr. Gray. I have written Mr. Vesey for permission to send them to you; which I have no doubt he will grant.

Sincerely Yours

S. F. Baird

Dr. Torrey

TORREY CORRESPONDENCE
HERBARIUM
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY

No. 1344 **Smithsonian Institution,**

Washington, D. C. June 13 1859

Dear Dr

All right about Mex. Boundary plants. We have acknowledged their receipt to ~~Mex~~ the Secretary [of the] Interior, and now turn them over to you for further action. Please (Prof Henry says) select and fix the Smithsonian set, ~~and~~ make the best disposition of the rest, called for by Madame Science. Have any necessary labels printed etc.

Yours in haste

S. F. Baird

Dr Jno. Torrey
New York

TORREY CORRESPONDENCE
HERBARIUM
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY

No. 2069 **Smithsonian Institution,**

Washington, D. C., October 12 1859

Dear Doctor

All right. The extras of Mex. Boundary have been found. I go up in a day or two to see about them. I will then find out how many copies there are. You will probably get the bill soon for printing.

I have the package of plants you refer to from Mex Boundary & will send it on by first opportunity. It is very small.

I write to Prof. Henry about the Herbarium and I will support the application

Forever Yours in a hurry
S F Baird

Dr. Jno. Torrey

Do you know any body who would like to give a couple hundred dollars or more for a collection of [illegible]. Mr. Kennicott can pick up next year plants, seeds &c of Fort Simpson or the Mackenzie.

TORREY CORRESPONDENCE
HERBARIUM
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY

No. 2187. **Smithsonian Institution,**

Washington, D. C., October 19 1869

Dear Dr.

I send through Prof. Turner a small package of the plants referred to in Mr. Gibbs letter to you.

I add a branch of White Cedar of the coast of Oregon (Thuya) just received here. Please let me know the species as I want to write to the sender. We forwarded a piece of the wood and of the gum.

Yours truly

S. F. Baird

Dr. Jn. Torrey

TORREY CORRESPONDENCE
HERBARIUM
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

No. 2247 **Smithsonian Institution,**

Washington, D. C., Oct. 26 1859

[stamp:] COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY

Dear Dr.

Although not positively instructed to that effect by Dr. Kennerly, I send you by express, in a large box all the plants thus far received from the N. W. Boundary Survey, in order that you may look them over. I do not of course take the responsibility of engaging your services to report on these collections, or to overhaul them in any way, but I know you will be glad to look them over. It will be well however to assort them and prepare for preservation, changing to permanent paper. The expenses of this service I will see that you are repaid.

If you find any new species and choose to publish them at once to secure priority, there will be no objection, in fact I urge it to be done, as there are several active botanical collectors with the British Boundary Commission, and Capt. Palliser expedition. (Dr. Hector collects plants for the latter). In your article however, mention that the plants were collected by

[left margin:] I sent by Prof. [illegible] the "package of alpine plants" NLB.

the N. W. Boundary commission
Archibald Campbell, Commr.
I send various cones, branches
and woods. There is a large box
of these latter still here, mar-
ked to refer to the packages
sent in the box. You must there-
fore carefully take down all
the marks as A. B. C. &c. or
No. 1. 2. 3 of the packages as
they serve to establish the re-
lation of the trees. If we send
on that box of woods will you
label and return?

Mr. Lacomb promised
to have your extras sent
at once I hope you have got
them. The box will be sent
merely to Adams Express
Office. You can direct whether
to have it at Cooper Inst. or
at your house

TORREY CORRESPONDENCE HERBARIUM COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY

Sincerely Yours
S. F. Baird

Dr. Torrey
NY

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No. 2837 Smithsonian Institution,

[stamp:] ... UNIVERSITY.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 3 1866

My Dear Doctor

I never got your letter of Nov. 23' till today. If as I suppose it was enclosed in one to Professor Henry, this accounts for the delay, as he probably mislaid it. Better write me direct.

Not hearing from you the boxes were sent to St. Marks place.

I am glad to hear of the good arrangement you have made about your plants: It seems first rate. Can you not find a large number of our deficiencies among your own duplicates, taking some of ours in exchange. When you are ready to report sets for distribution, suggest to Prof. H. the idea of the circular.

We will do our utmost to make the Nat. Herbarium accessible and useful when it comes back to us

There are still a few lots here which
will soon send. Among them are
the collections made in New
Mexico by Newberry when with
Macomb. We want action on those
to know if you will make out
a list of ~~them~~ very soon for his
report. If so I am to send
them on. Perhaps you will write
me a line on this subject as
I want to get them off my hands.

Would not Columbia College
contribute $50.00 annually or
at least one, to Kennicott's ope-
rations in the north, with a
view of having a series of plants.
He is now on the Yukon in
the interior of Russian Amer-
ica, and remains in the north
several years.

Very truly yours
Spencer F. Baird

Dr. Jno. Torrey
New York

CORRESPONDENCE HERBARIUM COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

2837

Dec. 3 [illegible]

My dear doctor

I never got your letter

Nov. 28 till today. [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] Thanks

[illegible]

No. 2989 Smithsonian Institution,

Washington, D. C., Oct 30 1860

COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

Dear Dr.

On returning from Phila. I find yours of the 24. I have written Graham to know his price for printing 25. 50. and 100 sets of Mex. Bound. plates. When I hear will let you know.

No word from Dr. Newberry about his plants. I write him to ascertain what to do.

Do pray use your influence to have 50 or 100 dollars from Columbia College for Kennicott next year. In the present state of things I fear

I cannot raise the money
to meet his current expenses
and he away in the interior
of Russian America. The
money would be needed by
1st of April. I can't bear to think
of the possibility of dishonoring
his drafts through Hudsons
Bay Co. Unless Kennicott
has a subscription for flank
he won't collect any. Con-
firming him to what is
called for.

Terribly gloomy here.
I don't know what
is to become of Smith-
sonian Matters

TORREY CORRESPONDENCE
HERBARIUM
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

Sincerely yours
S. F. Baird

Dr. Torrey
N.Y.

Dec 30 [illegible]

Dear Dr -

I am returning from
Phila. & find yours of the
24. I have written for the
[illegible] his prices for
Quantities 25. 50. and 100
lots of the Baird's Tables.
When I have will [illegible]
Baird [illegible] Dr. [illegible]
[illegible] about the [illegible] I
[illegible] & [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] was [illegible]
[illegible] & [illegible] 50 [illegible]
from Columbia College for the
[illegible]
[illegible] State of [illegible] I [illegible]